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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2001, from Examiner Soubra.

Please amend claim 8 as follows.

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8. (once amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the cationic charge on the cationic polysaccharide is derived from ammonium groups, quaternary ammonium groups, sulfonium groups, phosphonium groups, and other positively charged functional groups.

This amendment includes an attachment entitled "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE".

Please reconsider the rejections in view of the following remarks.